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My dear girl:-

I have just this minute received your letter and am so thankful it and its contents. Helen dear, I really am so happy, so very very happy you have broken. I tried to be a true friend and take the news as a good sport when you told me the situation Christmas for I knew then that as conditions then stood it would be absolutely futile for me to say anything so I threw you together as much

possible hoping in that way to finally make you wear each other out, and praying for the best. I didn't see how it could possibly last, any more than Harper and I could so I just waited and prayed.

Roy and Harper are both mighty fine upstanding boys trying to do the right thing (you see my viewpoint of Harper has changed, and become finer, & fairer, since Christmas) but they are not the type we ought to have for "steadies", they are mentally too far below par and when we are thru we will be far superior in breeding, culture, education and mentality than

either of them and I am not at all ego-
tistical when I say it either. I think you
realize now that his education and family
is far below yours notwithstanding that
he is a **good** boy. Don't you, dear? Confident-
ially, in fact this is all confidential there
isn't a boy at home there now that I
would give a snap of my fingers for, they're
all right in their **way** but they don't
weigh much, at least unless there
are some new ones; and that's not because
I'm in San Diego either. I'll tell you
this much, now that you and Roy are
broken up and you are **sane** again, I have
come to the decision that I'm going

to be friends with all and not specialize, at
least so there will ever be anything to break,
get me.? I'm having a much finer time since
I've started putting it in to practice too and I
think that until I'm considerably older I shall
continue so.

By the way, you remember our decision at
Fresno? Not Life Recruit. Well I've broken it
after much careful consideration and prayer
and talk with our Pastor here, S.S. teacher, Int.
Supt. two or three nurses who know, Supt. of
Hospital, High School Nurse etc and girls who do

and girls who don't and I have decided I am going to in small parties etc. of course with reservation, you understand. This is a secret, don't let it out and I'll tell you more Easter especially after talking to daddy and mother about it.

I have a grand surprise for you too, maybe, I hope so, ¿Quién sabe? I certainly hope it works out.

Honeybunch, our vacation comes the week after yours but I can visit you at school, play tennis, and take a hike to Fern Lodge Sat.?

I've missed you awfully lately especially, I can hardly wait 'till I get home again. I miss the others too, but you the most.

Oh, I got two pieces yesterday "Ma" (which is old) and "Ain't Nature Grand" which new.

Gee! You make me homesick and lonesome tonight I'm 'bout ready to bawl and I haven't done that but once since I've been away. I haven't found any one among the old friends or the new to quite take the place of you, you darling old chum. I've got to change the subject quick or I will.

Our cards just started to come out today (each teacher makes out a separate one for you) I got my English grade which was "1". "Ain't nature grand?" We're reading "Henry Esmond" now are you? We've already had the "Spectator & Sir Roger de Coverly Papers".

Our Biology is no such snap as yours weve had to dissect & draw the grasshopper thus:- whole body, each leg, each wing, antennae, eyes, mouthparts, mandibles, maxillae etc, head, thorax & abdomen and then cut him open and draw his "innards" as they lie, some work. We took the bee likewise which was still worse and now we've spent the last month 4 wks of 4 periods each on the crayfish.

That's our most intensive work, of course we've done lots of others too. We are now studying "Vertebrate" animals in class and have just started on birds, we have to learn to recognize all the common birds around us. Have you had to learn all the ~~classes~~ phyla of animal kingdom - Protozoa, Porifera, Coelenterata, Platyhelmintes, Nemathelmi-, Trochelmintes, Echinoderma, Molluscoida, Annulata, Arthropoda, Mollusca & Cordata with their classes and subclasses? If you don't think that's work just look in some zoology for the classification of Echinoderma Arthropoda or Mollusca for instance, if

you have, you know whereof I speak.
Well, Señorita si yo tengo buenas notas
en todas de mi clases, yo no tengo vergüenza
y yo no ~~ten~~ tengo miedo a mi padre y
mi madre — ¿verdad? ¿Tiene Ud. miedo
a su maestra cuando Ud. no sabe ~~los~~ su
lección o no tiene su papel? Yo tambien.

I have something simply darling to
show you when I come home Easter.
I think you'll be crazy about it.

What do you know about it? I'm
taking corrective gym twice a week
now because my arches are breaking,
in other words my feet are half-flat!

My gym-teacher gave me a lot of sweet little exercises to practice at home one of them is to pick up erasers, pencils, pens, buttons etcetera with my stocking feet. I look <u>keen</u> (in a bathing suit, hē, hē)

Oh by the way, First Presby. Endeavor won the undefeated Championship in basket-ball from all the city church-leagues for the second time, this year and we're going to give them a banquet during the Easter Week. I won't be here but I guess they can get along without the president for once.

I have a keen idea for an Easter social at home if I'm there; if you have it the week preceding my homecoming ask mother to tell you how to play ~~that~~ Football game I described in my last letter, played with a blown egg.

Well, I guess I'm about run down besides our English teacher told us to leave the last sheet of paper in a letter vacant, so I will decease.

Lovingly

Betty

P.S.

Remember me to all the girls & boys.